

Lewis and Clark Area Service Committee Meeting

Saturday November 18th, 2017

Washburn, ND

Attendance: Calli C, Venny F, Tom G, Brandon, Brad S, Jen, Andy B, Sam, Mike, Travis, Coler A, Kevin, Jeana M, Saul, Tony, Brad, Casey, Rich, Tom

Brandon called the meeting to order with a moment of silence followed by the "We" version of the Serenity Prayer. Venny read the 12 Traditions followed by Saul who read the 12 concepts.

Approval of the Minutes:

Motion to approve September's meeting minutes:

1st Saul 2nd Venny Vote 12-0-0 Passed

September's minutes were approved.

Area Reimbursements: Nicole requested reimbursements for the blue paper used in making the meeting lists. She has receipt for \$14 or \$15. She is not requesting reimbursement for printer ink.

Group Reports:

Bismarck:

Weekend Warriors Sundays 3:30-4:30 @ 801 5th St in the garage (The Sanctuary)

GSR - Seth Zacher seth.zacher@gmail.com (701) 934-4317

Seth reports a donation to area of \$25.00. Current balance in the bank account is \$84.00. Average meeting attendance is 14. Average newcomers are 1 biweekly.

Hope Dealers Mondays 8-9pm @ Salvation Army

GSR - Chad Austin 701-333-9743

Brad S filled in for Chad A and reported possible locations for the month of December are as follows: Bismarck Public Library, New Freedom and Legacy United Methodist Church. Average attendance is 30-40 people and average newcomers attending the meeting is 3-5. No donations to Area at this time. They are good on literature, as the group just placed an order for \$249.36 on 9/25/17. The meeting format is popcorn with birthdays celebrated on the last Monday of the month. The last Monday of the month is also a speaker meeting rotating male and female speakers. Brad reports this group needs Service Positions filled.

Eastenders Thursdays 8-9pm @ Grace Lutheran Church

GSR - Donavon donavon.hillaren@gmail.com (701) 202-8837

The group was represented by Tom W. Average attendance is 40-70 per week with 5-7 newcomers.

Keep the Faith NA Fridays 8-9 @ Faith Lutheran Church

GSR - Calli Cebulski calli.m.cebulski@gmail.com

Calli reports a format change as follows:

1st Friday - Just For Today Topic readings

2nd Friday - Corresponding Step

3rd Friday – Corresponding Tradition

4th Friday – Topic

5th Friday – Topic

Last Friday of the month birthdays are celebrated and Group Conscience is held on the 1st Friday of the month. Cody moved to Minnesota, Calli is elected GSR, rent is paid through January, donation to Area will be discussed at the next GC and the account balance of the group is \$243.00.

Saturday Night Live 8-9pm @ New Freedom Center

GSR – Jeana jeanameier52@gmail.com 701-595-6078

Jeana reported a \$150.00 donation to area. Average attendance is 30 with 2-3 newcomers.

Never Alone Never Again Sundays 7-8pm @ Bible Baptist Church

GSR - Andy B abahrenburg5150@gmail.com (701) 595-9999

Treasurer was admitted to the hospital on 10/23/17 until December. The group plans to slowly transition the position to Steve B after the holidays. There is \$65.00 in the bank account, rent is paid through January, and average meeting attendance is 22 with 1-5 newcomers. There tag inventory is good, but they will be needing literature soon.

*Andy reported receiving a letter from the IRS regarding the group's bank account. Discussion took place regarding new groups setting up bank accounts. It was advised that GSRs talk to a banker at their favorite bank about how to set up a not for profit/low activity business account. Groups can get a Federal ID # at IRS.gov

Frankly Earnest NA Tuesdays 7-8 @ 1st Presbyterian Church in Mandan

GSR - Venny vdfrag88@gmail.com (701) 989-8807

GSRA - Greg (701) 516-0541

Venny reports no changes in format. Living Clean is being read at the meetings. Attendance is approximately 25 per week with 3-5 newcomers per meeting. Account balance is approximately \$300.00. Rent is paid. The group plans on making an order for literature and tags.

Circle of Serenity Wednesdays 8-9pm @ United Church of Christ

GSR - Sara T saratreib@gmail.com (701) 570-6128

Sara reports 15-20 people per week in average attendance and at least 1 newcomer per week. The balance in the groups' bank account is approximately \$430.00.

Knuckleheads Tuesdays 5:45pm @ Serenity Place

GSR – Travis Brown travis.brown41@yahoo.com 701-240-3387

GSRA – Mike

Meeting format is Pick-A-Stick, Just For Today – Open Topic with discussion.

Jamestown:

Jamestown Overcomers NA Tuesday & Friday 7:30-8:30pm @ Seventh Day Adventist Church

GSR - Brad M bmills@daktel.com

Group is donating \$50.00 to Area. Upcoming activities: Group is having a Holiday Feast on Dec. 2, 2017 @ 6:00pm. \$264.49 is the current balance in the bank account. Past activities: Bowling in October and Movie Night in November. Average attendance has been 6-10 both nights. The group has had 3-4 newcomers, also a couple of student observers from the addiction counseling program at the University of Jamestown. No changes to report to the date and time of meetings. The Group

Conscience is held the 3rd Tuesday of the month after the regular meeting. The group has finished the Sponsorship book and is now studying the Guiding Principals book.

Necessary Serenity Wednesday & Saturday 6-7pm @ 518 10th Ave SE

GSR - Eric W na4u50@yahoo.com

Eric reports that the Pick-A-Stick meeting is going good. The group has an average attendance of 8-10 people. On Saturday they try to have an activity. Usually the group tries to Fellowship to a movie in the beginning of the month. Other nights they have pizza or potluck Fellowship activities. There is approximately \$29.00 in the treasury.

Minot:

Minot Unity Group Sun-Sat 8-9pm

GSR – Kory kpstriker56@gmail.com 701-240-6651

GSRA - Amber P amberperry2015@gmail.com (701) 720-5300

The group is trying to get a noon meeting started at NCHSC. They are also trying to get the times changed for a couple meetings moved to 7pm. The group is looking for a new GSR. Rent is paid up. Average attendance is 18-25 with 1-3 newcomers. The group is not donating to Area at this time.

Washburn:

Positive Changes NA Fridays 7-8pm @ United Methodist Church

GSR - Rich Hollesen dolphinrich@live.com (701) 460-0663

GSRA - Casey Buchmann caseyb43@hotmail.com(701) 301-9579

Average 3-5 people in attendance. Rent is paid through December 2017. There is \$47.16 in the account. Casey's house is always open to any Area meeting or District meeting for a campfire meeting.

Steering Committee Reports

Chair – Nicole A – Present – No report

Vice Chair – Open – No report.

Secretary – Heather W - Present – No report, no reimbursements requested.

Treasurer – Saul - Present – New balance in the bank is \$2810.18. Money earned from campout was \$684.60. Tony closed out the H&I account with \$120.98 balance. Treasury gave Andy \$25.00 for rent. Donations to Area received from the groups will be updated. Money was already dispersed to Jake for reservation of the campground.

RCM – Brandon – Present – Brandon attended the last Regional Service Committee meeting after the convention in Fargo. There were over 150 addicts that attended the convention. There will be some positions open at RCS; Fellowship Development Chair, Chair, Co-chair, Treasurer, Regional Activities Chair and Web Chair.

Motion 2 (Remove Bulletin 29 Methadone and Drug Replacement Programs). Motion 3 (Remove 'NA and people receiving medication treatment' from publication). Both motions were

accepted by NAWs to be put into the CAR report for the WSC in 2018.

The Region voted to move the Rocky Mountain Zone, so we could have a better fit instead of staying in the Midwest Zone.

Our next RCS will be in Bismarck on January 21 at a place to be determined.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Alt. RCM – Jeana – Present. No report.

Subcommittee Reports

Activities – Donavon – Not Present – No Report

H & I – Sara – Present – Sara has background check forms and is hoping to start meetings by January. She is asking for literature and reports that YCC and Center have no clean time requirements for members wanting to participate. Even if you have a criminal background, you are encouraged to fill out the application anyway.

PI – Open – No Report

Elections:

Secretary - Suggested clean time requirement 2 years –

Heather W was nominated and accepted the nomination.

Motion to wave clean time requirement 1st Venny 2nd Andy Vote 11-0-0 Passed

Heather W filled the open Secretary position

Vice Chair – Suggested clean time requirement 1 year –

Calli C was nominated and did not accept the nomination.

Tom was nominated and accepted the nomination. 1st Coler 2nd Jeana Vote 12-0-0 Passed

Tom filled the open Vice Chair position

PI - Suggested clean time requirement 1 year.

Tom was nominated and accepted the nomination.

1st Travis 2nd Venny Vote 12-0-0 Passed

Tom G filled the open PI position.

Old Business

Meeting Changes: The meeting list was sent around for changes and approvals.

Activities: Donavon wasn't present to give report. Discussion was had again about reserving a campground event place from mid July to mid August at a place that has insurance coverage already in place. Travis volunteered to look into Eagles Park and coordinate with Donavon

Rich will look into the church for the next Area Meeting.

Area Guidelines: Coler will make as many copies as she can with the \$50.00 budget.

New Business

H&I Pamphlets: Sara has no literature for the prison. Tom is going to give Sara the information to contact World for free literature to take to institutions. Tom made note that we can print our own pamphlets, we aren't required to order from World. Brandon motioned a budget of \$200.00 for H&I for PI and Basic Texts. Tom amended the motion to raise the budget amount to \$400.00

1st Tom 2nd Travis Vote 12-0-0 Passed

Meeting Lists: Heather W volunteered to be responsible for updating the meeting list. The groups' consensus was to keep the meeting list template a tri-fold if possible. The old list was passed around for changes.

PI Literature: Tom is trying to get pamphlets to Bismarck and Washburn. Motion to set a \$200.00 budget for PI. 1st Brandon 2nd Jeana

Motion amended to set a \$300.00 budget for PI. 1st Tom 2nd Kevin Vote 12-0-0 Passed
Tom will collaborate with Sara and do an order for PI as well as H&I. Saul will place both orders to World. Sara will find out what can be taken into the prison and where it needs to be shipped before the order is placed. Jen and Travis requested racks for their meetings.

Literature Chair: Coler brought up that we don't have a literature chair like some other areas. Discussion was had on looking into Fargo and other areas to see what they are doing and possibly bringing this position to our area. Motion to table to next meeting. 1st Venny 2nd Andy
Vote 12-0-0 Passes

CRASH A MEETING Minot @ Our Redeemers Church – 16th Ave SE & Main St, Saturday, December 16, 2017 @ 8pm

NEXT AREA MEETING January 20, 2018 in Bismarck – location tbd.

GSR SUMMARY

Upcoming Events: Jamestown – Holiday Potluck Feast @ 7th Day Adventist Church – Supper @ 6pm, Speaker @ 7pm, Meeting Crash – Minot – December 16 at 8:00 @ Our Redeemers Church, Area Meeting - Bismarck January 20 at 1:00.

Open Positions: @ RCS Fellowship Development Chair, Chair, Co-chair, Treasurer, Regional Activities Chair and Web Chair.

TREASURERS REVIEW Saul -Present – We are donating \$25.00 to the church in place of rent. The Chair was given a \$50 cash reimbursement for paper. There is \$2995.18 in the treasury account.

Beefs and Bouquets

Beef – Meeting ran past 4:00

Bouquets – congrats to Heather, Tom & Tom on filling open positions, good attendance, glad to see everyone, interesting meeting, thanks for explaining things, thanks for food, grateful and appreciative of new people, grateful for hospitality of Washburn, thanks to those of service, love the Area Fellowship, excited for service, grateful to be a part of this, Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, good job on acting like adults

Meeting Closed with Third Step Prayer

Next area service will be in Bismarck on January 20 at 1:00.